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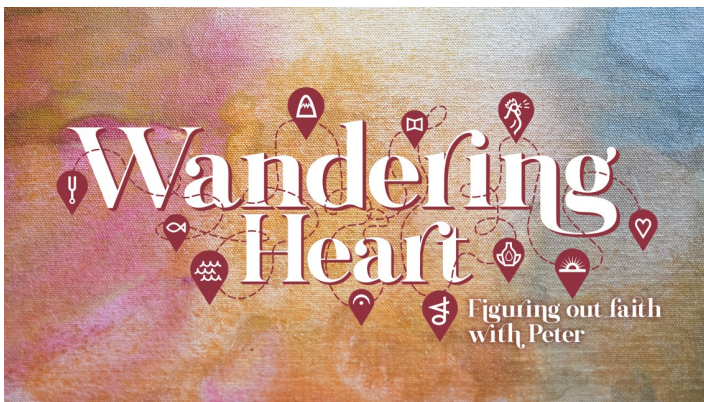
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What is happening at *the bridge*.

Connecting at the bridge



Sunday March 16, 2025

Wandering Heart
"Jesus Rescued Me"

9:00 am - Early Worship Service -

10:30 am - Second Service

Second services in person and livestreamed on

Facebook and YouTube

Links to all videos posted by the bridge on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@thebridgepresbyterianchurc4433/streams>

Connecting by Serving

Sunday, March 16, 2025

Coffee Servers

9:00 - Sandy

10:30 - Peggy

Greeters/Ushers

9:00 - Patricia S and Don U.

10:30 - Bettye W and Lynne L

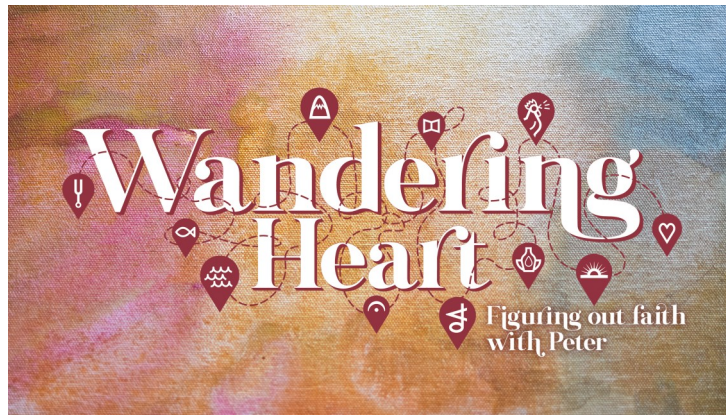
Are you ready to be Connected by Serving?

*Help with Coffee * Greet People * Usher*

Let Wanda in the office know and she will get you connected

Connecting in Generosity

	3/9/25		
Total Local Deposits	\$1,838	9:00 am Attendance	44
Online Donations	\$1,197	10:30 am Attendance	61
Total Weekly Offering	\$3,035	Total Attendance	105
Pledge Fulfillment		Attendance (4 wk avg)	110
Total Deposit	\$3,035	Weekly Offering (4 wk avg)	\$4,147



New Sermon-Based Small Group Series For Lent

This Lent, we are focusing on the life and faith of one of Jesus' most famous disciples. In Peter, we see a person who is both steadfast and unsteady, a dear friend and a betrayer, a follower and a wanderer. In Peter, we often see ourselves. By following Peter's journey, we watch the story of Jesus unfold through the eyes of a very normal human trying to figure it all out—just like us.

While we journey with Peter through Lent, we will focus on the hymn: "Come Thou Fount". It's as if Peter himself wrote this song. And so, for each step in Peter's journey, we will focus on a phrase from this hymn. As we follow Peter's story, we will sing our way through Lent, binding our wandering hearts to God. Like many of us, Peter has a wandering heart. His journey is not polished, or linear, or perfect, but he is always tethered to the love of God.

We will also be offering 4 Sermon-Based Small Group Studies for each of the six-weeks of Lent.

Anyone is welcome to join a small group. Small groups are a great way for folks to grow in their faith and get to know others at the bridge.

Sign up at the Sign Up Table after worship.

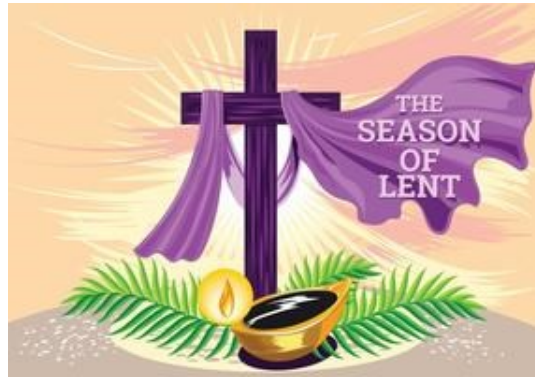
Available Groups

Mondays at 1:00 pm - Facilitated by Peggy Fulton and Suzanne Veen - at the bridge

Tuesdays at 11:00 am - Facilitated by Karen Santone/Cathy Boettcher - at 116 Belvedere Ct.

Wednesdays at 10:00 am - Facilitated by Greer and Tom Broadwater- at the bridge

Thursdays at 3:30 pm - Facilitated by Becky and Steve Dare - at the bridge



Join us this Lenten Season

Sermon Based Small Groups begin week of March 9th

April 13th - Palm Sunday - Invite a Friend Day

Services at 9:00 am and 10:30 am

Palm Sunday Brunch at 9:45

April 17th - Maundy Thursday Service at Noon

April 18th - Good Friday Service at Noon

April 20th - Easter Sunday

Sunrise Service at 6:30 am - gates to park open at 6:00 am Belville

Riverwalk off of Hwy 133

Worship Service at 10:30 at the bridge Pres. Church

Pick up a Lent daily devotion set on the table entering the sanctuary

Connecting In Prayer

Prayer list March 13, 2025

Please remember that this prayer list can also be seen on the Bridge Website within Currents. Avoid including private information in your requests unless you plan it to be public knowledge.

- Prayers for Ruth Fitzsimmons
- Prayers for Joyce Rodman
- Constant prayers for Marilyn Vernon on her journey with cancer.
- Prayers for Mary and Kens' grandson Brandon who broke his ankle.
- Prayers for Sandy Sears' son Scott who broke his hip and is facing surgery and a long recovery.
- Prayers for Rebecca Baker, recovering from a broken arm.
- From the Bridge website: "Please pray that a good man V. gets several calls and messages with home offers for the pets living in his animal charity society
- Prayers and sympathy extended to Barbara Harwell, whose brother passed after a long period of illnesses
- Prayers and sympathy extended to Steve and Dianne Betz in the passing of his mother .
- Prayers for the people who are in peril and uncertainty.
- Prayers for our Mission Projects. Help us all to make a difference.
- Prayers for Days with Girls. Help us remember how hard it is for adolescents living in Third World countries

Those who love you don't clip your wings. They add another feather so you can fly even higher

To make a prayer request, contact Elder Mary Campbell at carlislecampbell@gmail.com or (910)269- 9696 text or phone. There are also yellow request cards available in the church hallway across from the coffee bar. You can also send a request through our website. Prayer requests remain in Currents for two weeks unless an extension is requested

Connecting Through Missions



March Mission Partners

Church World Service

Beginning on January 27, 2025 the US Refugee Admission Program was suspended by Executive Order. The program will be re-evaluated every 90 days, with no set criteria or timeline for when it will restart.

Unfortunately, this means that CWS Wilmington will be receiving no new arrivals for at least the next three months and all federal funding has been eliminated, resulting in the furloughing of 20 of the 25 employees at CWS Wilmington.

The bridge is continuing to support Kiza Masanga and Alexi in their resettlement efforts. Alexi recently returned from South Dakota to once again reside in Wilmington.

They continue to struggle to meet their budget for housing, utilities, transportation and communication.

You can help by giving to the bridge's CWS fund, which will directly support them in meeting their budgetary needs, while they continue to seek long term, full time work. Currently their shortfall is about \$800/month.

If you would like to make a financial donation, Make check out to the bridge with CWS in the memo line.

Connecting Through Missions



THE BLUEFIELDS
MEMORY CARE

The Bluefields is located at 1935 Lincoln Rd. NE in Leland.

On Craft Day at The Bluefields Memory Care, our volunteers and the residents enjoyed making decorations for St. Patrick's Day.





We have a group of women who get together each Friday to make “Freedom Kits” . These kits are for young girls in countries where they are shunned and face hardships -- just for being female. We are making the kits that currently will go to Egypt, South Africa and Uganda. Each kit is made to last a young girl for 3 years.

In our group, we have women who cut patterns, some iron material, and those who sew, all while having fun and fellowship together.

You can help us financially if you don't sew

We have a need for financial help for buying the materials needed to make these kits. One of the local fabric stores is going out of business and we can get materials at a reduced price.

We also need to purchase a snap installing machine.

You can give in the offering with Days for Girls in the memo line or online by selecting the Days for girls fund.

If you have any questions about Days For Girls, what this group is doing, to see a sample kit or how the money will be used, please contact Wanda at thebridgepres@gmail.com or at 910-769-4951, she would love to tell you about this project!

Volunteers needed

Looking for a volunteer experience? Love children? Hope Harbor Home, one of our Mission Partners, is in need of child care providers on Wed evenings from 5:30-7 while parents attend a meeting on site.

Call Bettye Weihs for more information. 443.831.2256

Lincoln Elementary Spring Book Fair

Our Spring Scholastic Book Fair is just around the corner! April 7th-11th!

Lincoln Elementary is looking for volunteers to help students write wish lists and be personal shoppers, helping their students account for tax and see if they have enough money to buy what they want.

If you are interested and available to volunteer, please sign up using this link!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090D4EAEA62DA6F49-52831109-lesdecember>

The bridge men's group, *Helping Souls Ministry*, is offering their help and support for the following needs:

Transportation

Pet sitting

Adult sitting

Daily needs

Errands

Funeral support

Meals

Tutoring

Visitation home, hospital or nursing home

Tom Broadwater: 770-235-1315 or 910-769-6454 or

tombroadwater@bellsouth.net




Spring Cookbook Sale

Now \$10

Proceeds equally support North Brunswick
Charities: New Hope Clinic and Hope Harbor
House

On sale on sign up table in hall



Ladies, Save the date for April 1 at 1:00 PM in Warnock Hall

We're going to be making 50 Easter Baskets
for our sweet friends at The Bluefields Memory Care Center!

We already have the little Easter Baskets
(6 long" x 4 ½" wide x 4" tall)

We need our lovely ladies to bring goodies to fill them.

- Easter Grass
- Candy
- Individually-wrapped candy to be placed in Easter Eggs
- Snacks
- Small stuffed toys
- Personal items (chap stick, tooth paste, combs, etc) *
- Small puzzles, greeting cards, games

**Please, don't bring any liquids as the residents can't have liquids in their rooms.*

We hope to see you there!

Women of the bridge

Women of the Bridge enjoyed a Salad Bar luncheon on March 4, followed by a time to get to know one another.

Join us on April 1, when we'll gather to make Easter Baskets for our friends at Bluefields.



MEMORIES MATTER

A COMMUNITY CONVERSATION ABOUT AGING & ALZHEIMER'S

Join us for a special screening of

TAKING CARE*

A film by James Keach

Wednesday, April 23 | 5:30-7:30 PM

Leland Cultural Arts Center
1212 Magnolia Village Way, Leland 28451



Taking Care is a documentary film that follows Seth Rogen and Lauren Miller Rogen as they navigate the complexities and heartbreak of Lauren's mother's advancing Alzheimer's disease.

Through intimate interviews with the Miller and Rogen families, and supporting footage of their entertainment industry friends and colleagues, Taking Care sheds warmth and light on Alzheimer's through storytelling, celebrity comedy, medical insights and abiding love.

Following the screening, area dementia services and resource organizations invite the community to share their own experiences with aging and Alzheimer's and discuss opportunities to improve accessibility and community engagement for those living with dementia, support for caregivers and healthy aging.

This community conversation is part of the Town of Leland's ongoing efforts as a committed member of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

**Some scenes could be difficult to watch for caregivers and/or people living with dementia*

COMMUNITY PARTNERS



TO REGISTER: 800.272.3900 | tinyurl.com/April23Leland

Happenings in March

Week of 9th - SBSGs begin

Sallie Bohn	6
Carol Spradley	6
John Vernon	8
Cathy Boettcher	10
Barbara Hedin	10
Ben Lindsey	10
Dave Bohn	11
Gidget Karlof	13
Cindy Rupprecht	14
Lora Rissmiller	15
James Bozeman	23
Carol Nelson	28
Wayne Myers	30
Susan Stanewick	31

March Birthdays

If your Birthday is not listed - it is not in REALM -You can go and edit your profile or let Wanda know so we can include you!!